LAS LOMAS HIGH SCHOOL

A California Distinguished School and A National Gold Ribbon School

Acalanes Union High School District

Profile 2019-2020

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SCHOOL CHARACTERISTICS

Las Lomas, one of four schools in the Acalanes Union High School District, is a 4-year comprehensive high school with an enrollment of approximately 1625 students including 389 seniors. Students can attend up to 7 classes for two 18-week semesters on a modified block schedule. The student body reflects the community's diverse socioeconomic and educational levels. The racial makeup of our student population is 4% African-American, 15.5% Asian, 4.6% Filipino, 70.9% Caucasian, 5% other. Our population is 14% Hispanic. Approximately 4% of our students are enrolled in English language development classes. Approximately 4.2% of our students participate in the free/reduced lunch program. Las Lomas was named a 2015 Gold Ribbon School, by the State of California. In the 2017 WASC review Las Lomas received a six year accreditation with a mid-cycle one day review. Las Lomas continually receives acknowledgement as being in the top 10% of academically achieving schools in California.

COMMUNITY CHARACTERISTICS

Las Lomas is located in Walnut Creek, a suburban community of 69,773 located in the San Francisco Bay Area. Parents are primarily employed in Walnut Creek, San Ramon, Oakland or San Francisco. Demonstrating the commitment to Las Lomas in the current challenging economic environment, the Walnut Creek Education Foundation was formed to raise funds to supplement our strong academic programs. Additional parent groups and foundations contribute to an environment for academic success.

FACULTY AND STAFF

The Las Lomas teaching staff is comprised of 77 full-time equiv. highly qualified faculty, in addition to 3.6 administrators, 4.8 counselors, psychologist, wellness coordinator, librarian, college/career advisor, nurse and school resource officer. The counseling case load is approx. 345:1.

STUDENT PROGRAMS

- Vocational training classes are offered through the Regional Occupational Program (ROP).
- Extracurricular programs, which offer opportunities to develop students' unique interests and leadership skills, include student government, California Scholarship Federation (Palladians), peer tutoring, plus a wide variety of clubs and activities.
- Acalanes Gifted and Talented Education (AGATE) is a selective program where a limited number of students conduct interdisciplinary projects that require both primary and secondary research skills, three day hands on exploration and a culminating presentation of the research project presented in creative, non-traditional formats.
- Competitive Academic Decathlon, Model UN, and Mock Trial teams.
- Award winning visual and performing arts programs.
- Instrumental Music Department performing groups hold a reputation for musical excellence, consistently receiving the highest accolades at music festivals. Students are well represented in regional and California all-state honor bands.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students must earn at least 240 course credits. Five units of credit per semester are granted in all courses when a passing grade is earned. Course requirements include:

English	4 years
Mathematics (incl. 1 year past Algebra 1)	3 years
Biological Science	1 year
Physical Science	1 year
World History	1 year
U.S. History	1 year
U.S. Government/Economics	1 year
Physical Education	2 years
Health	.5 year
Foreign Language or Career/Technology	2 years
Visual/Performing Arts	1 year

A senior project in English 4 is an additional graduation requirement.

GRADING

Letter grades are assigned a numerical value on a 4.0 scale (D is a passing grade). The cumulative GPA is the average of all courses since the beginning of the ninth grade. College prep courses which meet the University of California A-G requirements, are indicated on the transcript with either a "P" for college prep, "H" for honors, or "A" for advanced placement. Non-college prep courses are marked with either an "E" for elective, "N" for non-college prep, or "M" indicating the curriculum was modified. Pluses and minuses will appear on student transcripts but will not be used in computing grade point averages. Final transcripts reflect weighted and unweighted averages.

Mean Senior Class GPA: 3.12 (Unweighted); 3.25 (Weighted)
Highest GPA: 4.0 (Unweighted); 4.54 (Weighted)

CLASS RANK

Las Lomas no longer reports class rank to colleges. We have long been concerned with the inequities which occur when reporting specific rank in a highly motivated, talented student body. We will be happy to help any college or university interpret our statistics.

ATHLETICS

Las Lomas is a member of the Diablo Athletic League, a 13-school league that divides itself into two divisions based upon competitive equity by sport. The DAL is under the guidance of the North Coast Section (NCS) of the California Interscholastic Federation, Las Lomas supports 25 varsity teams and 30 JV or Frosh teams. 2018-19 athletic achievements:

- NCS participation: Boys & Girls Cross Country, Boys & Girls Golf, Boys & Girls Water Polo, Boys Basketball, Boys & Girls Soccer, Wrestling, Baseball, Softball, Boys & Girls Swimming, Boys & Girls Track, Boys & Girls Volleyball, Football
- DAL Foothill champions: Boys Golf
- DAL Valley Champions: Football, Baseball
- NCS Scholastic Team Recognition: Baseball, Girls Cross Country, Girls Basketball, Boys Soccer, Softball
- CIF Tournament qualifiers: Boys Water Polo, Boys Basketball
- CA State Meet participation: Track, Cross Country, Wrestling, Swimming and Diving, Boys Golf

We educate every student to excel and contribute in a global society.

TEST RESULTS

SAT Test

Mean Scores

Year	Tested	Evidenced Based Reading and Writing	Math
2019	223	612	620
2018	210	610	612
2017	192	632	620

ACT

Average Scores

Year	Tested	English	Math	Reading	Science	Composite
2018	170	26.4	25.5	26.4	24.9	25.9
2017	198	26.9	26.2	27.3	25.7	26.6
2016	160	26.0	25.9	26.7	25.4	26.1
2015	131	26.4	25.0	26.6	25.0	25.9
2014	107	26.6	25.8	27.2	25.1	26.2

NATIONAL MERIT PROGRAM

Class	Finalists	Semifinalist	Commended
2019	N/A	6	13
2018	1	2	6
2017	4	4	17
2016	1	1	19
2015	3	3	12

ADVANCED PLACEMENT (MAY 2019)
504 Students took 935 tests
88.5% scored 3+

HONORS AND ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Courses are open to all students. Materials and experiences are differentiated in content and quality from regular classes. The focus of the program is on self-sustained and self-directed learning. The following courses are offered in 2019-20:

Science
AP Biology
AP Chemistry
AP Physics C
AP Environmental Science
AP Physics 1

Mathematics
Alg 2/Pre Calc Honors
Pre-Calc Honors
AP Calculus AB
AP Calculus BC
AP Statistics

English
Honors English 3
AP English 4

World Language
Honors French 4
Honors Spanish 4
Honors Japanese 4
AP Spanish Language
AP French Language
Honors French Literature

Social Sciences
AP US History
AP European History
AP US Government
AP Macro Economics
AP Human Geography
AP Psychology

Visual/Performing Arts
Advanced Art Honors
AP Art

Other
AP Computer Sci A

COLLEGE ENROLLMENT & COLLEGE PLACEMENT

Typically over 95% of our graduates go on to college. Of the 355 2019 grads 58% are attending 4-year schools, 38% are attending 2-year schools, and 4% are participating in a gap year, work or military. Students from the classes of 2014-2019 enrolled in the following colleges and universities:

Academy of Art University
University of Alabama
Arizona State University
University of Arizona
Auburn University
Azusa Pacific University
Belmont University
Biola University
Binn College
Boise State University
Boston College
Boston University
Bowling Green State University
Brigham Young University
University of British Columbia
Brown University
Brunel University London
California Baptist University
California Institute of the Arts
California Lutheran University
California State University
　Cal. Maritime, Channel Islands, Chico, East Bay, Fullerton, Humboldt, Long Beach, Los Angeles, Monterey Bay, Northridge, Pomona, Sacramento, San Diego, San Francisco, San Jose, San Luis Obispo, Sonoma, Stanislaus
University of California
　Berkeley, Davis, Irvine, Los Angeles, Merced, Riverside, San Diego, Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz
Carnegie Mellon University
Case Western Reserve University
Chapman University
Clark Atlanta University
Clarkson University
University of Colorado, Boulder
Colorado College
Colorado Mesa College
Colorado School of Mines
Colorado State University
Cooper Union
Cornell University
University of Denver
DePaul University
Drexel University
Digipen Institute of Technology
University of Edinburgh

Emerson College
Everygreen College
George Mason University
Georgetown University
George Washington University
Gettysburg College
Gonzaga University
Grand Canyon University
Grinnell College
University of Hawaii-Manoa
Harvard University
Harvey Mudd College
Hastings College
Hobart & William Smith College
Howard University
University of Idaho
Indiana University-Purdue
Ithaca College
Johns Hopkins University
Lewis and Clark College
Linfield Colleg
London Metropolitan Univ.
Loyola Marymount University
Loyola University, Chicago
Lynn University
MIT
University of Miami
Miami University Ohio
University of Michigan
University of Minnesota
University of Mississippi
University of Missouri
University of Montana
Montana State University
Morehouse College
Mount Holyoke College
Mount St. Mary's College
Muhlenberg College
Neumont University
University of Nevada-Reno
University of New Mexico
New York University
Univ. of N. Carolina, Asheville
Univ. of N. Carolina, Wilmington
University of North Dakota
Northern Arizona University
Northwestern University
Oberlin College
Occidental College
The Ohio State University
Oregon State University
University of Oregon

Pace University
Pacific University
University of the Pacific
University of Pittsburgh
Pomona College
Pratt Institute
Princeton University
University of Portland
University of Puget Sound
Purdue University
Reed College
Rensselear Polytechnic Institute
Rhodes College
University of Richmond
Rutgers University
St. John's College
Saint Mary's College of CA
University of San Diego
University of San Francisco
San Francisco Art Institute
Santa Clara University
Scripps College
Seattle University
Seton Hall University
Smith College
Sophia University (Japan)
Univ. of Southern California
Univ. of South Carolina, Aiken
Southern Methodist University
Southern Oregon University
Stanford University
Swarthmore College
Temple University
University of Tennessee
Texas A&M
Texas Christian University
Trinity College (Dublin, Ireland)
US Air Force Academy
University of Utah
University of Virginia
Washington State University
University of Washington
Wahington University, St. Louis
Wellesley College
University of Western Ontario
Westmont College
Western Washington University
Willamette University
William Jessup University
University of Wisconsin York
St. John University (Eng.)

COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

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Counselor (Pe-Sh +ELL)	Marilyn Lewis-Hampton	2123
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Registrar	Beth Chastain	2119
College Advisor	Anne Fuller	2117

ADMINISTRATION

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Athletic Director	Tim Kruger	2863